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**AMENDMENT  
AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Office Action dated June 23, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**The present status of the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.